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us could have voted for 123 and then 27 of us vote to gut 123. A little game was played with 123 last week which I thought settled the matter. Apparently it didn't. I can only express grave disappointment at the way the Legislature approaches this issue. It doesn't leave any of us with a good deal of self respect. I urge the rejection of the amendment and probably the demise of 589.

PRESIDENT: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Possibly one of the answers Senator Cavanaugh is seeking was in this morning's paper where Secretary Simon said that he is asking that the dual taxation of corporations be dropped. The corporations in this country have been taxed to the point where they are now unable to obtain proper capital. In order to preserve the industries of this country he is recommending to the Congress that they no longer tax the dividends, that the corporate tax is of such a burden now that the ultimate owner who really is the corporation will no longer invest in them due to the tax burden that's been imposed on them, not just statewide but nation wide. Possibly that's where some of the sentiment for such a change may come from. I think there is a point of no return. I think we have reached it. The fact that Secretary Simon's acknowledges it as of this morning's paper, might have brought some concern to the minds of some.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: I want to ask a question of somebody. I want to know exactly what we did. Probably Senator Warner, but I'll ask it of Senator Murphy, or anybody that can answer it knowledgeably. What we just did with the Warner amendment, how much revenue did that cost the state?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Syas, if the ... at the 12% rate for individual income tax, which I would assume would be valid, the amendment as it now stands at 25 would be \$8.3 million. If you adopt Senator Lewis' amendment, which I support, it would be approximately \$4.2.

SENATOR SYAS: OK, right at the present we've taken \$8 million from state revenue. Is that correct?

SENATOR WARNER: Well we reduced. It would probably be more accurate to say we reduced the tax by \$8.3 million.

SENATOR SYAS: Pardon.

SENATOR WARNER: It would be more accurate to say we reduced the tax by \$8.3. On corporations Senator Lewis' amendment would increase it back up to 4.2. I think then the Lewis amendment of uncoupling the corporate tax from the sales tax might stand.